neessions such an telegraph, telephone

Effect of Proposed Guarantee. The guarantee of this issue of bonds The guarance of this issue of bonds by the two cities is not a charge against the amount of bonds authorized and allowed to be issued by cities of this State under the Constitution, the effect of the quarance being to oblige the two cities to provide the interest annually in two instalments, and to pay the principal, or amount then outstanding; at maturity, either by mother issue of bonds or an appropriation direct.

either by mother issue or some or an appropriation direct.

Under the present contract, the Mayo Bridge Company and the corporation operating street cars in Richmond and Manchester, a rute of three-quarters of a cont per passanger transported across the bridge is operative. This contract expires an eight years, at which time this bridge commission, with the concurrence of the councils of the two cities, the three such terms and conditions for on Impose such terms and conditions for onthrunce as it may deem best.

Increase of Values Expected.

The projectors are confident that the increment of values in the two cities, consequent upon the creeding of a great modern bridge and the operation thereon of a fast and regular schedule of cars, will of itself more than make up in revenue to the two cities the amount invested. The down town mercantile increase of the city are carpestly in favor vested. The down town mercantile interests of the city are earnestly in favor of the plan and all Manchester is on record as favoring it. The increased earning capacity of the bridge and the privileges thereor and the increase in the taxable values of property resultant from the inauguration of rapid transit, and the opening up of a large factory, mill and industrial territory within easy reach of this city, will, it is believed by conservative business men, make the project not only a safe ut a wise one.

The Proposed Bridge.

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The structure proposed to be built is a modern highway bridge with paved roadway twenty-four feet wide and with a walkway six feet wide for pedestrans, and will accommodate a double line of our tracks sufficient to carry cars of the heaviest type, and with room between the tracks for vehicles. Plans and specifications for two twest of bridges are now tions for two types of bridges are now tions for two types of blugs, at a now being prepared. One of these is for a steel plate girder bridge, with paved rondway of granite spalls or asphalt block. The other plan is for an arch built wholly of concrete, needing prac-tically no repairs and substantially in-

branches of the Council and lay before them the project and urge concurrence in the action already had by the Manches-ter Council. Another committee was named, consisting of Messix, J. Scott Parrish, Thomas L. Moore and C. Man-ning, to aid in this work, It is proposed to urge the Councilmen and Alde-men personally to support an ordinance to be drawn and effered covering the details

W. P. De Sanssure, William C. W. P. De Sanssure, William C. F. C. E. Wingō, H. T. Harris, R. ris, G. G. Minor, E. R. Williams, Elam J. T. Alen, R. W. Gunn, Chambers and others, named as

Geclared District Actions and Codes New York city, to the Senate Codes Committee to-day, in the course of a hearing on a bill to make it possible for a witness to give testimony without having his evidence used against him.

OUSTED OFFICIAL DIES

rival of his successor

Congressman Very III.

(By Associated Press.) (By Associated Press,)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Representative C. W. Thompson, of Alabama, is
seriously ill with pneumonia at his hotel
apartments in this city. Mr. Thompson
was slightly improved to-night. His temperature remains high.

CONTRACTOR DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE

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Manager TEE-DEE WANTS, City:

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With best wishes, I am

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Yours truly,

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small "ads" in your want column,

and I wish to express my satisfaction

I received in all 43 answers from

W. S. McCLELLAND.

one insertion, and have secured what

I advertised for in both "ads."



New Suits for Coufirmation; Examination; Graduation and all special occasions.
These suits are fine enough for any occasion, and no occasion is too fine for these suits.
\$3.50 to \$15.00.

Oravats, Shirts, Handkerchlefs, Hose, Gloves, Underwear, Overwear, Head-wear, Footwear for anywhere and overs-where.

\$8.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00 Suits from last spring, are \$3.50. \$4.00 and \$3.50 Suits are \$2.50.



STUDENTS RAISED STARS AND BARS

Unusual Scene at Clemson College, When Stars and Stripes Were Lowered.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CLEMSON COLLEGE, S. C., March the five hundred students of this Insti-tution, with heads uncovered, lowered the United States flag from the flag pole on the campus Tuesday and raised a Confederate flag, 14 by 21, in its stead. Riotous scenes ensued when the com-mandant, who is a Northerner, ordered the flag lowered. Before his orders could be obeyed the flag was taken down and hidden, and though several students were arrested, they would not tell where it was placed.

Next day the flag was again raised, and the commandant dared to lower it. The students would not lower the flag at the commandant's order or allow him

to lower it. Finally the commandant and creased the boys, saying:

"Boys, I don't blame you for honoring the flag your fathers and grandfathers fought for. Three cheers for the flag of the Southern Confederacy."

The cheers were given with a vim, in which the mirister, the faculty and the ladles joined heartily. Continuing, he said: "But the South proved that there was only one flag in 1898. Boys, there's no use talking, we have the greatest flag on the face of the earth to-day. And now I want the band to play Dixle while we lower the Stars and Bars and then to play the Star Spangled Banner while we raise the Stars and Stripes."

After this the students allowed the flag and with cheers again raised the Stars

with cheers again raised the Stars and Stripes. Clemson College was founded by Senator Ben Tillman while he was Governor.

BROAD STREET MAY HAVE NEW STORE

Talk of Colossal Structure for Sale of Every-

There is talk in Richmond of a colossal new department store on Broad Street, somewhere between Fifth and Fousilee, though it was impossible last night to learn any of the details.

As the rumor goes, a wealthy cilizen here, who has wide business experience, has associated with him or interested in the proposed scheme some Western capitalists, who are said to have been looking for such an investment for some time.

It is said that the site is one thing

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It shall be consummated ample capital is ready to begin the work. The proposed building is to have over one hundred feet frontage, and is to run back one hundred and fifty feet, according to the story.

If the store shall be built and put into operation, it is said that it will contain everything that man or woman may desire to purchase, and will be in every sense of the word an up-to-date department store.

ment store.

A gentleman whose business qualifica-tions are undoubted, who himself is wealthy, and whose name is associated with the rumor, could not be seen last night, and nothing definite or tangible could be learned concerning the matter.

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VIRGINIA ON TRIAL

Question of Her Fundamental Law Before Supreme Court

LAWLERS READY FOR CASE.

But Are Opposed to a Divided Hearing and Postponement May Follow.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—The
ase of Jones and Selden vs. the Goyrior of Virginia et als., will probably
c argued in the Supreme Court to be arraied in the Supreme Court tomorrow. Attorney-General Anderson
and Mr. Frank W. Christian, of Richmond, the counsel for the State, and
Captain John S. Wise, of New York,
who will represent the appellants were
at the Capitol to-day.
Both sides are ready for the case to
be heard, but neither wants the case
to be taken up to-morrow, miless it can
be finished without the break of a
lengthy rocess of the court. It is more

be thinged, within the court. It is more than likely that the case will not be heard until April eth, although there is a chance that it will come up for argument to-morrow.

The case was heard in the Circuit Court of Appeals at Richmond, Chief Justlee.

ment to-morrow.

The case was heard in the Circuit Court of Appeals at Richmond, Chief Justice Fuller presiding. The then plaintiffs sought to restrain Governor Monlague and the other members of the State board of canvassers from issuing certificates of election to the members of Congress chosen in 1902. The restraining order was refused at the hearing then and an appeal was laken. The case till be argued on appeal to-morrow, it a postponement is not granted by the court.

It was sought by the plaintiffs in the lower court to test the constitutionally of the suffrage clause of the new Constitution of Virginia. It is not new thought that it will have say such effect, as the court will probably refuse to undertake to issue an order restraining the State board of canvassers from coing that which has already been done. The constitutionality of the suffrage provisions of the State Constitution will hardly be passed upon. The appellants are negroes and James Ffayes, a negro lawyer, of Blohmond, appeared with Captain Wise, when the case was argued at Richmond. It is not known whether the colored upon will make up argument in

inwyer of Richmond, appeared with Captain Wise, when the case was argued at Richmond. It is not known whether the colored man will make an argument in the case in the Supreme Court.

The court has pretty clearly indicated in the decisions in the cases from Alabama testing the constitutionality of the clause of the Constitution of that State, which was drawn with a view to disfranchising the negroes, that it will not interfere in the matter of new Constitution making in Southern States in recent years. It was thought at first that the decision on the Virginia case would be of supreme importance, as fixing the attitude of the court of last resort towards the efforts which the States of the South were making to eliminate the negro vote. were making to eliminate the negro vote but the Alabama cases have been de olded in the meantime, and it has been pretty clearly developed that th Su-preme Court will not interfere where form of subservience to Constitution was observed in the construction of the clauses of the various Constitutions.

was a severe test, but they did well. Covered by this force a larger force is now distablishing within easier distance of the Japanese objective, while preparations are reported to be proceeding at the only practicable port on the east coast of Korea. The Japanese are now holding Aniu and the line of the Charles

but landings were made long enough age to permit a general reference to then without prejudice to the operations. "The weather generally is improving."

NEW HEADQUARTERS. Gen. Kuropatkin Doesn't Like

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Mukden.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, March 17.—The first headquarters of the Manchurian army after General Kuropatkin's arrival will be at Liao-Yang, the general having selected that point instead of Mukden, whence to direct the operations. Lino-Yang is ten miles west of the railroad, being connected with the main road by a line which will be completed by the time General Kuropatkin arrives and has many advantages over Mukden, being a point whence both the telegraph line and the Pekin road go to the Yalue River. Liao-Yang commands both the roads over which troops will be sent according to necessities. Liao-Yang also has the advantage of being nearer to the frontier of China in the event of punitive measures being required against the Chinese. While the Russians are mobilizing for the purpose of working out an offensive military problem they will be prepared to move heavy forces in any direction to meet the Japanese, whose command of the sea gives them great freedom in selecting their points of attack. General Kuropatkin will live on a train with his staff and be prepared to move inamediately wherever his presence is required. Great precautions are being taken to guard against surprises. The Japanese have always shown a preference for night attacks, and most rigorous orders have been issued to keep up a continuous advance of scouting parties and to have heavy pickets out at night. General Kuropatkin is now near Omsk, Sibera. He is making very fast time, averaging over 52 miles per day, eve ything being sidebtracked to get him to Mukden on March 20

PREPARING DEFENSES.

Russians Taking Extra Precautions at Liao-Yang.

tions at Liao-Yang.

(By Associated Fress.)

NEW CHWANG. March 17.-The
Patriarchal General Linevitch, who was
recompanied by General Kondratonovitch, after a survey yesterday of New
Chwang and its detenses, which had been
prepared for his inspection, returned to
his command at Liao-Yang. He also visited Kal Chou and points affecting the
protection of the Guilf coast and the holding of the weak zone along the main line
of railway opposite New Chwang. Although disclaiming any apprehension of
the Japanese landing here, the authorities are is itsified to have foreigners understand that the Russians are prepared

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for any local emergency and the arrival of an additional battery of artillery and also 150 scouts fo-day is significant of coming events.

It is apparent that both civil and mill-tary strategists and the diplomats at Muktden apprehend a collision with the Chinese, probably fearing that the increasing number of their small bands of scouts operating between Liac River and the Great Wall are the instruments for their entanglement in a conflict, particularly as this zone is of the nature 6th a no-man's-land on account of having been abandoned by the powers and also because the Chinese jurisdiction is incompetent. Thussians able to judge profess to regard General Ma's attitude as dangerous to the peace of Russia and China.

PORT ARTHUR TO OPEN.

Lloyd's Agent Wires Spring Shipments Will Be Made.

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(By Associated Press.)

TIEN TSIN, March 17.—Lloyd's agent at New Chwang wires the following:

"Port Arthur will be open between March 25th and 30th, and steamers have been chartered for spring shipments. The reports that New Chwang will be attacked shortly are untrue, and there is no truth in the statement that the Russians are trying to lay mines abreast of the fort.

that warships should be stationed but there are no signs of any

Chwang." N. LOND."N. March 17.—Inquiries made at bloyd's clicifed the statement that the New Chwang agent probably meant that the river at New Chwang will be free of tee between March 25th and 30th, and that communication with Port Arthur by sea will then be reopened.

ANOTHER FIGHTER LOST. Unplaced Mine Blows Up Russian Torpedo Boat.

(By Associated Press.)

CHE-POO. March 17—4 P. M.—While entering Port Arthur yosterday, the 16th instant. the Russian torpede boat destroyer Skorri struck upon an unplaced mine and was blown up. Pour of the crew were saved. Viceroy Alexieff, in n-dispatch, confirms previous accounts of damage to Port Arthur by the bombardment on the 19th, but says the story of a fire in Port Arthur is a base fabrication. (By Associated Press.)

Living Costs Much.

(By Associated Press.)
LIAO-YANG, MANCHURIA, March 17.
Troops are still concentrating here and are forming guerilla detachments. Prices have risen enormously.

Must Show Their Colors.

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(By Associated Fiess.)

CHE-FOU, March 17.—Warnings have been received here confirming previous reports to the effect that the Russians Lave laid mines along the Liao Tung peninsula, and that neutral vessels are obliged to show their colors five kilometers off shore and now await a Russian pilot.

Op and Down the Hill.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—A cablegrum received at the Japanese legation to inight from the Japanese constituent of the Japanese constituence of the Japanese received at the captain of a Norwegian vessel, which has arrived there from Port Arthur, reports that the Russian fleat left Port Arthur on the morning of March 12th, but returned the same evening.

BRITISH DISPLEASED.

Do Not Like Search of Merchant

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Vessels by Russians.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, March 17.—Answering a question in the House of Commons to-day regarding the movements of the Russian armored cruiser Dmitri Donskol on the Mediterranean, her search of merchant vessels, etc., after repairing at Suez, and as to what steps His Majesty's government proposed to take to stop these operations. Premier Balfouri, while admitting the great importance of the question, said he must have time to inquire into the facis before he would be able to give a complete hamver.

Replying subsequently to Sir Henry, Campbel-Bannerman Mr. Balfour fixed March 21 for the debate on the vote of censure on the importation of Chilnese into South Africa, notice of which was given by Sir Henry.

APPROPRIATION BILLS.

Republican Steering Committee to Avoid All Party Strife.

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(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March II.—The Republican Steering Committee of the Senate to-day decided to press appropriation bills to the front, sidetrack all legislation likely to engender party strife, and then, if the session is prolonged, place the responsibility for the delay on the Democrats, One of the members of the committee earnestly advocated adjourning by April 15th, but it was agreed that this would be impossible. The committee discussed an order of business for the rest of the session, and decided to sidetrack the general building measures and several labor bills, the Hepburn-Dolliver liquor bill and all similar legislation.

TO TRAIN

Notable New Movement That Has Just Been Started

MEETS LONG-STANDING WANT

Young Girls Will Be Taught Cooking, Housekeeping, Etc. Home for Deaconesses.

Within the early future, it plans well qually well executed, there will be open ed in Richmond under the auspices the Methodist denomination an Institution for the training of young white we men in house work, cooking and kintred household arts.

Behind the step is a movement of wide significance-one of uncommon interest and importance to Richmond and other cities of the South. It is a fact frecities of the South. It is a fact frequently commented upon by mission workers that young white women willing to toll long and carnostly each day in other occupations disdan what they consider a menial position in the house of some respectable family. They will starve before they will consent to cook and clean. Many of them 50 into factories and meet a slow, but none the less sure death from hard work and close confinement. Others engage in various pursuits and frequently in desperation difficults or the factories for a living.

The other side of the pletare is no less seriously drawn. Famillar new utterly

The other side of the picture is no less seriously drawn. Families are utterly dependent upon negroes for house service, and the conditions resulting from this dependence are momentarily becoming more miscrable. The careless, shiftless negro, growing more and more careless and shiftless as the years widen the gap between him and the ante-bellum type, is the most unsatisfactory of articles about the house. When his icnesty is unimpeachable, which is not always, his perseverance is nothing. He works half a week and then quits, irequently without warning. The house is in a turnoil until it can rearrange things and get itself in a position for the recurrence of the programme.

To Meet This Condition.

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It is this state of affairs that suggest a movement that will go its little way in checking the declared evil. At a meet a movement that will go its tittle way in checking the declared evil. At a meeting of the lady board of visitors of the Methodist Mission on East Main Street, held Wednesday, Miss Maggie Curley, of this city, was appointed a delegate to the State Conference of Homo Mission Boards of Virginia, to be held on May 5th in Lynchburg. Representatives will be present from all the church boards in the State. Miss Cauley will lay the matter fully before the conference and will lask for an appropriation sufficient for a year's experiment in the proposed new work. This sum if secured will be supplemented by popular subscription.

A large three-story building on Ninetenth Street, upon which those interested, already have thely eye, will be secured, overhauled and put into condition.

women will be gotten positions in Rich-mond families by the school, which will be in that respect also an employment

Others May Follow.

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Ore such school as this could not, of course, remedy a condition that is very widespread. But it is a step—and manifestly an important one—in the direction. On the one side, young women of the poorer classes will be given an opportunity to earn a respectable and decent living; on the other, long suffering families will at last be able to have in their homes constant and efficient service upon which they car rely. The training school will be a part of the work of the Methods in the first place, there is not room there, and, in the second because the character of the attendance in that institution is frequently not pleasing to young women.

Deaconness' Home.

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Another movement of striking interest is one looking to the establishment in Richmond by the Episcopal Church of a home for deaconesses This project was dear to the heart of the late Bishop Whittle, and Bishop Glison is no less interested in 't. Plans are now rapidly being brought to a successful issue and a bullding will probably be secured very shortly and the proposed institute opened. The deaconess of the Episcopal Church is a sort of assistant minister. She is at the right hand of the pastor, and nessists him at ayery turn. She is a secut, who keeps watch over the parish. When a person is sick—man, woman or child—she ministers to him, Her service is chiefly among the poor, whom she nurses and cares for without charge to them. them.

WELL KNOWN RICHMONDER TO LEAVE FOR THE WE:T.

About April 1st Mr. W. balley Saunders will sover his connection with the firm of E. A. Saunders' Sons' Company, of this city and will become Western agent of the Virginia Arthracite Coal Company, with Cinchinati as his headquarters. Mr. Saunders is a young man of splendid business capabilities, and he is exceedingly well known here. He has sold his share in the hushes of Saunders' Sons Company to his brother, Mr. P. A. Saunders Jr., and has acquired a large interest in the coal' company, the mines of which are located about five miles north of Christiansburg. Va. Mr. Saunders will retain his-membersi'n in the clubs hero, as he expects in the course of his new duties to visit Richmond many times in the year.

HORRIBLE MURDER OF DR. BENJAMIN LABAREE.

(By Associated Press')

that this would be impossible. The committee discussed an order of business for the rest of the session and decided to sidetrack the general audding measures and several labor bills, the Hapburn-Dolliver liquor bill and all similar legislation.

An investigation of the death of the Rev Dr. Benjamin Labarce, the American missionary, shows that Dr. Labarce, whose son is superintendent of the American missionary, shows that Dr. Labarce, whose son is superintendent of the American mission here, was return fur from Kofa to Urumlyah on horseback, accompanied by a servant, when both were found dead by the roadside. Their bodies had been stripped and mutilated and had numerous stabs. The horses and effects of the travelers were missing. Dr. Labarce the travelers were missing. Dr. Labarce have been taken to discover the assassins,

We Announce for To-Day

In Our Tailoring Parlors

A Special Exhibit of SPRING COATS, COSTUMES, SKIRTS AND WAISTS.

Perhaps you've made up your mind about the coat or costume you mean to wear this spring-probably you have not. Any way this collection will decide you.

There is a newness about it that you know is new, a stylishness that is most convincing and besides perfect workmanship and exquisite shapeliness, that unlikeness to ready-made garments which is found only at Fourqurean's and which is obtainable only through the best tailors in the land.

Costumes at \$12.00 each to \$40.00. Skirts at \$5.00 each to \$15.00. Spring Coats at \$7.50 each to \$17.50. Waists at \$5.00 each to \$19.00.

Fourqurean, Temple & Co.

429 East Broad and Annex.

NEW THEATRE FOR **BIJOU COMPANY**

One to Be Erected on the Site of the Old Swan Tavern on Broad Street.

On Broad Street.

Manager Jaké Wells said last night that the Bijou Theatre Company had in contemplation the erection of a new theatre. "Our company has had this question under consideration for a long time," he said, "and the plans have now pretty well matured. The theatre will be an upto-date affair, with a capacity of 1,5,6, and with all modern conveniences and improve amis, but there will be no ratheskeller c. restaurant attachment."

The theatre will occupy the property on Broad Street, on the north side, midway between Eighth and Ninth Streets, now occupied by the old historic Swan Tayern.

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The cost will be about \$70.00. The property was purchased through Chanin and Hume, and is a most desirable spot for a theatre.

It is expected that the new house will be ready by September 15th, and work will begin about the first of next month. "The theatre," said Mr. Wells, "will be a pride to the thentre-goers of the city, and we will keep it up to date in every respect."

Club which is now being organized the following rules will be enforced:
All members will, be continually posted—about the affairs of the others.
Private goss p rooms, holding two comfortably, car be had at the dosk.
The whist club will meet invariably in the music room.

Any waiter or employe who can succeed in getting any member to tip him will have his salary raised.

Members will please remove their diamond earrings while playing pool or bill lards. The disposition of the present theatre and property has not been determined

OUTCLASSED RACERS.

Rainland and Stella Were Winners on New Orleans Track.

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(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, March 17.—Rainland and Stella Aden, both of whom outclassed their fields, were the only winning favorites to-day. The East scored again to-day in the St. Patrick's Day handacap, worth \$1,685 to the winner, Dereszke winning easily.

First race—mile and an eighth—Rainland (3 to 10) first. The Brown Monarch (60 to 1) second, Triple Silver (2 to 1) third. Time 1155.

Results at Hot Springs.

Second race—six furlongs—Sweet Dream (5 to 2) first, Zolia Kulght (3 to 1) second. Back Number (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:18 1-2.
Third race—six furlongs—Mayerick (9) the working layer lost the hold upon the working layer.

A special perfumery room will be provided for scent incurables.

One portion of food will not be served to more than half a dozen.

When the president and board of directors are transacting business the clubbouse will be closed.

Each member will be limited to one cozy corner.—Life. When Smoking Was Taught.

to 20) first, Anzeiger & to 1) second, Sjy Boots (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:17.

Fourth race—six furlongs, the St. Patrick's Day Handleap—Sjyla Talbot (7 to 10) first, Never Fret (10 to 1) second, Orleans (20 to 1) third. Time, 1:16 1-2.

Fifth race—mile and a half, the Hot Springs Hurdle Handleap—Cardigan (3 to 1) first, Accolade (2 to 1) second, Broadway (7 to 1) third. Time, 2:29.

Sixth race—mile, selling—Welcome Light (6 to 1) first, Bugle Horn (8 to 5) second, Sixter Lillian (4 to 1) third. Time, 2:90-1-2.

Seventh race—mile—Ralph Young (7 to 2) first, Calthness (3 to 1) second, Benton (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:45 1-2.

Negroes Banquet Booker.

(Dy Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—One hun

negroes of the District of Columbia pan-quetted Booker T. Washington at Odd-

Rules and Regulations.

the New International Woman's which is now being organized the

special perfumery room will be pro-

Fellows' Hall here to-night.

At first sight the recent agitation for legislation to prevent the sale of tolegislation to prevent the sale of to-bacco to boys seems to show a state of affairs previously unknown. That such is not the case, however, is shown by a story of the dosing years of the 17th century as related by De Rochefort,

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New Orleans, and by reason of its large volume of business and favorable connections North, South, East and West, extends facilities at rates which smaller banks can The expense of handling a large, well sysnot afford. The expense of handling a large, wen systematized business is also less in proportion than that of a smaller institution.

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in addition to the large business of its Richmond patrons, handles, BY MAIL, hundreds of accounts for Merchants, Manufacturers, Corporations, Individuals and Banks throughout Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

· We invite personal interviews or correspondence from prospective patrons,

VIRGINIUS NEWTON, President. JOHN M. MILLEII, Jr., Vice-President and Cashler. CHAS. R. BURNETT, Assistant Cashier.

J. C. JOPLIN, Assistant Cashier,

At this meeting all present and many beoperies held last night at the Chamber of Commerce, the plans were explained in some detail by Mr. Stewart M. Woodward, Mr. H. W. Wood, and the chairman, Mr. J. D. Crump. There were present about thirty others. Committees Appointed.

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At this meeting all present any many who could not be there last night are cordially enlisted in the furtherance of the plan. A committee was named, consisting of Messrs. H. W. Wood, Stewart M. Woodward, L. C. Younger, E. R. Williams, E. D. Starke and Chairman Crump, liams, E. D. Starke and Chairman Crump.

drawn and offered covering the action is re-of the plan. The prospect of action is re-garded as bright and promising.

Among those present at, the meeting were Messre S. P. Jones, C. J. Shuman, M. S. Eloomberg, John H. Rose, Benj. T. Cennab, W. P. De Saussure, William C.

JEROME WANTS CANFIELD IN THE STATE PRISON.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 11.—"I want to put Richard Canfield in State's prison and I want Reginald Vanderbilt, of New York, as a witness to help me do it," declared District Attorney Jerome, of New York city, to the Senate Codes

WITHOUT WARNING.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, March 17.—H. H. Thomas, who was recently ousted as Federal ap-praiser at the port of Chicago, dropped dead to-day. Heart disease is supposed

The removal of General Thomas from office a few weeks ago was one of the most picturesque incidents known in politics here. Seated under the folds of a Urited States flag. General Thomas of a Urited States flag, General Thomas re-mained at his desk, refusing to give way, undispossessed by the actual ar-